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Nowitz et al.

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For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR RULE  
BASED INDEXING OF MULTIPLE DATA  
STRUCTURES

Examiner: Linh Black

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

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Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.

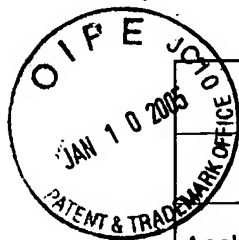
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